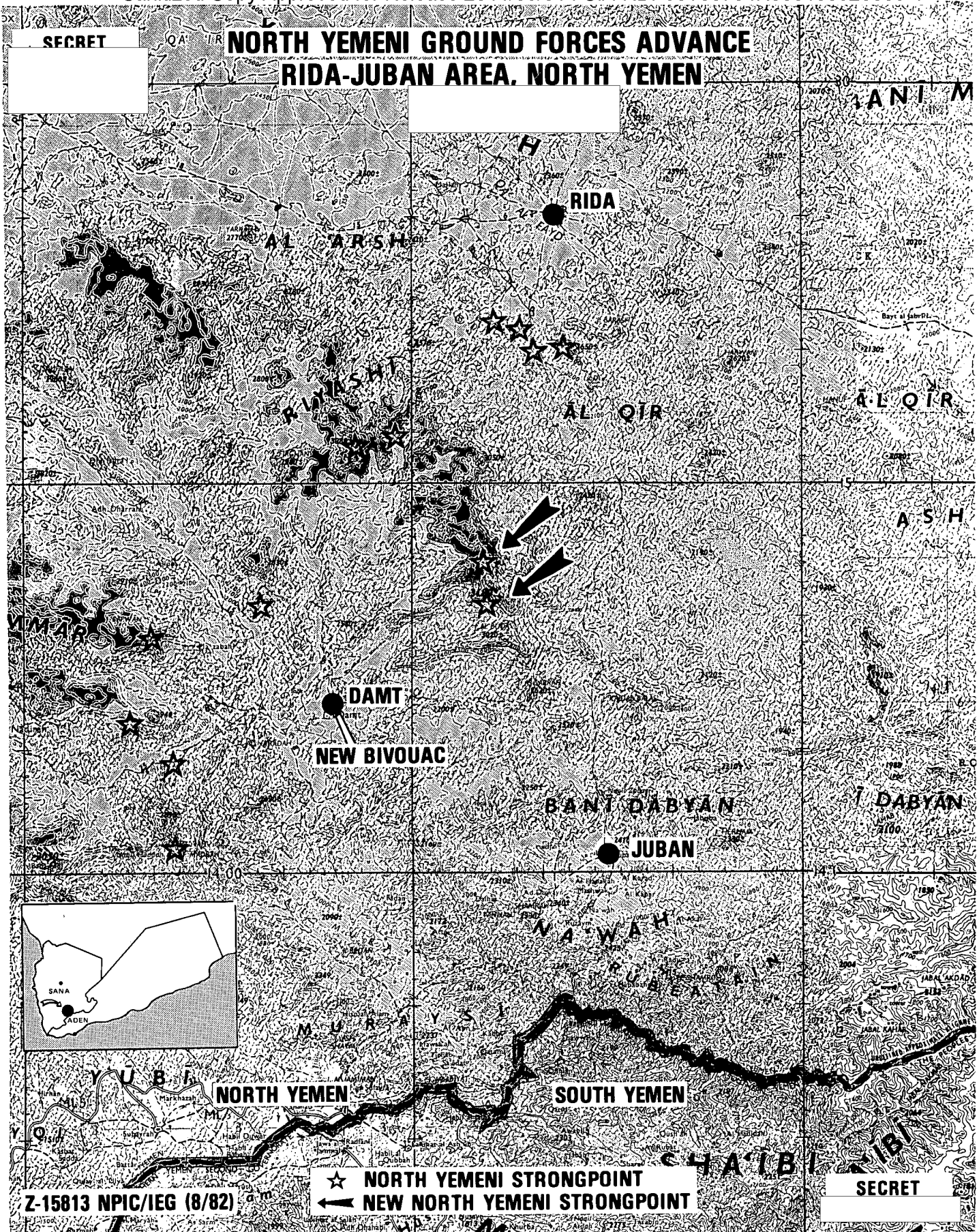


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1. (SWN) **SIGNIFICANCE:** A NORTH YEMENI INFANTRY FORCE HAS ADVANCED INTO AN AREA FORMERLY CONTROLLED BY NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC FRONT (NDF) INSURGENCY FORCES.
2. (SWN) **REMARKS:** A NORTH YEMENI INFANTRY FORCE ADVANCED INTO AN AREA FORMERLY CONTROLLED BY NDF INSURGENCY FORCES IN THE RIDA-JUBAN AREA, OF NORTH YEMEN, APPROXIMATELY 85 NM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF SANA. THIS INFANTRY FORCE ADVANCED TO AN AREA 15 NM SOUTH OF RIDA AND 9 NM SOUTH OF PREVIOUSLY HELD NORTH YEMENI STRONGPOINTS. THE INFANTRY FORCE ESTABLISHED TWO ADDITIONAL STRONGPOINTS IN THE VICINITY OF 14-11-00N 044-47-40E, WITHIN 11 NM OF JUBAN. THESE STRONG POINTS CONSISTED OF GRADED POSITIONS ON HILLTOPS AND CONTAINED THREE CARGO TRUCKS, TWO UTILITY VEHICLES, AND 11 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES. AT LEAST 11 NORTH YEMENI STRONGPOINTS HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED IN THE RIDA-JUBAN AREA IN RESPONSE TO NDF INSURGENCY ACTIVITIES. ADDITIONALLY, A PROBABLE NORTH YEMENI INFANTRY BIVOUAC CONSISTING OF THREE LARGE TENTS AND CONTAINING 14 UTILITY VEHICLES HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED ON THE WESTERN EDGE OF THE VILLAGE OF DAMT (14-06-30N 044-41-55E), 20.5 NM SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF RIDA AND 11 NM NORTHWEST OF JUBAN, SINCE A POSSIBLE NDF 122 MM FIELD ARTILLERY (FA) BATTERY HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM AN AREA 8 NM SOUTH OF THIS BIVOUAC. TWO ADDITIONAL POSSIBLE NDF FA BATTERIES, FORMERLY DEPLOYED SOUTH OF THIS FA BATTERY, HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM THE AREA

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(SWN [REDACTED] THE DEPLOYMENT OF NORTH YEMENI GROUND FORCES TO AREAS PREVIOUSLY CONTROLLED BY NDF INSURGENCY FORCES WAS PROBABLY THE RESULT OF A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE PEACEFUL WITHDRAWAL OF NDF FORCES AND THEIR WEAPONRY FROM THE NORTH YEMEN-SOUTH YEMEN BORDER AREA. THIS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NORTH YEMENI GOVERNMENT AND THE NDF WAS REACHED IN MAY. [REDACTED]

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3. (SWN) BE--NONE COORDINATES--NCNE

4. (CONF [REDACTED] COLLATERAL REFERENCE:
NORTH YEMEN--NEGOTIATIONS US CINCEUR INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY
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